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SUBJECT: SADAT INTERVIEW WITH FRENCH TELEVISION IN KAMPALA

1. SUMMARY. IN INTERVIEW WITH FRENCH TELEVISION IN KAMPALA JULY 30, PRES SADAT REPORTEDLY ANSWERED QUESTIONS ON SOVIET PRESENCE IN SOMALIA; STRATEGIC IMPORTANCE OF PERIM ISLAND; AND INDEPENDENCE FOR DJOBOUTI. HIS REMARKS ON MIDDLE EAST CENTERED ON REOPENING SUEZ CANAL. HE SAID EGYPT'S POLICY IS TO MAKE THE MEDITERRANEAN, RED SEA, AND INDIAN OCEAN QTELAKES OF PEACE UNQTE. END SUMMARY.

2. AS REPORTED IN CAIRO PRESS JULY 31, PRES SADAT'S INTERVIEW WITH FRENCH TELEVISION CORRESPONDENTS BEFORE HIS DEPARTURE FROM KAMPALA ON JULY 30 CONTAINED NO REFERENCE TO EXPULSION OR SUSPENSION ISRAEL FROM UN OR TO CURRENT STATE-OF-PLAY IN DISENGAGEMENT NEGOTIATIONS.

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SADAT CITED REOPENING OF SEUZ CANAL AS EVIDENCE EGYPT'S DESIRE FOR

PEACE AS OPPOSED TO ISRAEL'S ALLEGED UNDERMINING DR. KISSINGER'S MEDIATION EFFORTS. HE EXPOUNDED ON BENEFITS OF REOPENED CANAL TO EGYPT AND OTHER NATIONS AND THANKED FRANCE, US, AND UK (BUT NOT USSR) FOR THEIR ASSISTANCE IN CLEARING CANAL.

3. DODGING QUESTION ON EFFECT OF QTE SOVIET NAVAL BASES UNQTE IN SAMALIA ON REGIONAL SECURITY, SADAT RESPONDED THAT SOMALI PRESIDENT SIAD BARRE HAD DENIED TO HIM THAT THERE WERE SOVIET BASES IN HIS COUNTRY. ON QUESTION OF STRATEGIC IMPORTANCE OF PERIM ISLAND, SADAT REPORTEDLY COMMENTED: QTE WE CONSIDER THAT THIS ISLAND HAS GREAT IMPORTANCE. WE ARE DISCUSSING THIS FACT WITH GOVERNMENT OF SOUTH YEMEN WITHIN FRAMEWORK OF OUR GENERAL STRATEGY. UNTIL NOW WE HAVE NOT REACHED ANY KIND OF AGREEMENT WITH SOUTH YEMEN OVER THIS ISLAND. UNQTE. HE ADDED THAT BOTH SOUTH YEMEN AND SOMALIA HAD GRANTED EGYPT NAVAL FACILITIES ON THEIR TERRITORY.

4. RESPONDING TO OTHER QUESTIONS, SADAT SAID EGYPT'S POLICY WAS TO MAKE RED SEA, INDIAN OCEAN, AND MEDITERRANEAN QTE LAKES OF PEACE UNQTE; ACCUSED SOUTH AFRICA OF SUPPLYING ISRAEL WITH AIRCRAFT DURING OCTOBER WAR; AND OPINED THAT IT HIGH TIME FRANCE BEGAN DIALOGUE WITH SOMALIA REGARDING INDEPENDENCE DJIBOUTI.

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